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## THE J. E. JONES LETTER

### 5-4 DECISIONS

In a hundred and thirty-four years nine acts of Congress have been held unconstitutional by the United States Supreme Court by decisions in which five judges voted affirmatively and four in the negative. On each occasion there has been a big public howl of protest. Two of the most recent of these decisions came so close together that they could not escape the attention of right-minded lawmakers in Congress.

A District Judge of recent vintage had a habit of coupling rulings from the bench with the remark that "my guess is that the motion should be denied, but if the eminent counsel desires to take an exception it will be granted, and it may be that the next highest court will guess differently." And as the Judge was reversed most of the time the lawyers all finally got together and had him fired off the bench. From the popular viewpoint, the people of this country would like to believe that the United States Supreme Court arrived at its decisions without much "guessing," every tradition, every impulse, every hope, is strained to place the supreme judicial body of the Government on a pedestal. Therefore it hits the country with considerable force of a shock to read over as often as nine times in a century and a quarter that a great public question which may have fairly rocked the nation and caused a division of sentiment and opinion among political parties and intelligent groups of citizens finally was "decided" by the United States Supreme Court by a 5-4 vote. Such conclusions seem to bear out the theory that the judges of the lower courts do not hold a monopoly in the matter of "guessing." Ever since Pinckney lived 1800 years ago the people of the world have been trying to talk themselves into believing that he was wrong when he observed: "For to err is in opinion, though it be not the part of wise men, is at least human." In the face of all the controversy it seems fair to conclude that the Supreme Court can not possibly be anything else except human, no matter how hard everyone may try to make it something better.

**A REMEDY WOULD BE WELCOMED**  
Former Justice Clarke has recently suggested that the United States Supreme Court decline "to hold a statute unconstitutional whenever several of the justices conclude that it is valid." It can readily be seen that such a course would bring the troubles of the Court under the cover of secrecy of its own members, and perhaps that would result in freeing the judges from criticism. But would this be justice? A good many people think not. Pure democracy would prefer to have the judges "spill" their differences and let public opinion wrangle with the consequences. Senator Borah has a bill requiring decisions that declare a statute unconstitutional to be concurred in by seven out of the nine judges. A good many lawyers agree with the Idaho Senator, but it is doubtful whether they can carry their point in Congress. A suggestion is made by Senator LaFollette that Congress may reenact a statute declared unconstitutional, and thereby "nullify the action of the court." This in effect would be a veto of the Supreme Court decisions. Quite as might be expected this proposal is assailed on the ground that the Wisconsin Senator is somewhat of a "constitutional radical." But it is just as well to be fair with an idea even though one is not enthusiastic about its author, and if one examines the LaFollette proposal it can be traced back to similar "radical" sponsorship in the position taken by ex-President Roosevelt, who vigorously advocated the recall of Court decisions.

There is no danger that Congress will make "waste paper" of the rules of the Supreme Court, or that its fundamental value and methods of serving the public welfare will be revolutionized. However, it is evident that some constructive method for avoiding disturbing 5-4 decisions will be welcomed by the Court and the members of the bar throughout the country.

### TALKING ABOUT TAXES

Taxes are tolerated because they are among "the dirt necessities." Secretary of the Treasury Mellon made his tax revision suggestion so plain that every income-tax payer could figure out his own savings—and therefore he was for it. But Mellon's idea kills the soldier's bonus, and unless the plan is amended the ex-soldiers say they will kill Mellon's idea and have a double funeral. By way of compromise it has been suggested that the bonus might be handed separately by a sales tax. But when ex-President Harding suggested such a measure Congress answered:

## SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT

On Friday evening, Nov. 23, a Thanksgiving entertainment was given at the Mason schoolhouse, which was filled with parents and friends. The room being decorated with decorations appropriate for the season and the occasion.

Miss Carrie Wright, the Normal instructor in Gould's Academy, gave a most interesting talk on Community Life and Co-operation of parents and teacher for the benefit of the child.

After the program pop corn and candy were on sale and a goodly sum was realized for the evening.

The following program was presented which showed much work on the part of the teacher, Miss Jean Skillings, and the pupils:

1. "Three O'clock in the Morning" Victrola
2. "Thanksgiving Day," Norma Rolfe
3. "Getting Ready for Winter" Third Grade
4. "Landing of the Pilgrims" Paul Grover
5. Tableau—"First Thanksgiving" Three girls, five boys
6. "A Seaside Boy," Winfield Rolfe
7. "Yes, We Have No Bananas" Victrola
8. "Too Much Turkey" Walter Grover
9. "Make Believe Puritans" Four girls, one boy
10. "Proud Turkey," Fred McKenzie
11. "October's Bright Blue Weather" Fifth Grade
12. "A City Maid's Poem" Delmont Harding
13. "When You Were a Tulip and I Wore a Big Red Rose," Victrola
14. "Thanksgiving," School
15. Remarks by Miss Wright of Bethel
16. "America," School

## CHURCH ACTIVITIES

### METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. G. B. Oliver, Pastor  
Most of the activities of this Thanksgiving week are cancelled because of vacation time and Chautauques.  
Sunday worship at 10:45. Special music. The subject is: "The Church Treasurer Who Got Mad."  
Church School at 12. Special programs in each department.  
Tuesday next. Prayer or class meeting at 7:15. The Church School Board meeting exchanges places again with the official meeting of the church and next Tuesday evening rain or shine, we want you if an officer or teacher or worker in the Church School.

**LOCKE'S MILLS CHURCH**  
Rev. C. B. Oliver, Pastor  
Worship every Sunday at 9. Subject for Sunday morning, Dec. 2, will be: "The Church Treasurer Who Got Mad."  
The Church School is at 10.

**UNIVERSALIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Walter W. Wolfe, Minister  
Church Calendar, Sunday, Dec. 2: Devotional service at 10:45 A. M. Sermon topic: "Studies in Human Nature."  
Sunday School at 12:15 Noon.  
Y. P. C. U. Candle light service of devotion and consecration, 7:15 P. M.

**CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
Rev. S. T. Achenbach, Pastor  
Wednesday, Nov. 29, 6:45: Chorus rehearsal.  
The meeting of the Ladies' Club is omitted this week.  
Sunday, Dec. 2:  
10:45: Worship conducted by the pastor.  
12:00: Church School.  
7:00: Evening worship. The pastor will continue the series, "Looks into Books."

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH**  
Spring Street  
Sunday School at 10:00 A. M.  
Sunday services at 10:45 A. M.

### NOTICE

All persons who have not purchased their Chautauque tickets will confer a favor on the organizers by having their tickets at the Post Office instead of at the ticket window. Tickets sold at the window do not count on the amount which is guaranteed the association.

### SCOUTING EVENTS

Next Monday at 7 in the usual place, all Scouts of Bethel and Locke's Mills will meet for the evening. Local committee members are welcome anytime. Executive Perkins is asked to be present and take full charge of the program. Pop corn for refreshments prepared by Walter Tenney and assistant. Come prepared to enjoy a pleasant and profitable evening.

## BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mr. H. N. Bragdon was in Boston, Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Ida Douglass is assisting in the home of Mrs. E. L. Edwards.

Mr. Fred Wheeler of South Paris was in town the first of the week.

Mr. Charles Douglass has gone to Portland, where he will spend the winter.

Mr. Stanley Wheeler of South Paris was a business visitor in town, Monday.

Judge A. E. Herrick and daughter, Margaret, were in Portland, Wednesday.

The best fall weather we have ever had is the verdict of some of our older residents.

Dr. and Mrs. I. H. Wight were in Gorham, N. H., last week, the guests of his brother.

Mr. Lucian Littlehale is at home on a vacation from his duties on the Grand Trunk Railway.

Prof. W. R. Chapman and daughter, Cornelia, and Miss Alice Capen motored to Lewiston, Friday.

Prof. Wilcox B. Mitchell of Brunswick was the Sunday guest of Judge A. E. Herrick and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Aldana Brooks of Upton are spending some time with their son, D. G. Brooks, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Badger of Portsmouth, N. H., were week end guests of her mother, Mrs. Ella Mansfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Skillings of Harvard, Mass., are spending the holidays at their camp at Northwest Bethel.

The rain of last week was welcomed by many of our farmers as the water supply was quite low in some localities.

Mrs. F. E. Hanson was the guest of her daughter, Margaret Hanson, at Bates College, Lewiston, last Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. Edward Hulsebins and two children, Erna and Robert, of Grandville, Vt., were week end guests of Mrs. Frank Bartlett and family.

Mr. Frank Taylor went to Lynn, Mass., Tuesday, where he will be the guest of his sister, Mrs. Eugene Maxwell, and family for a few days.

Mr. Patrick O'Brien has returned to his duties at Bethel Inn after spending a two weeks vacation with relatives in Hudson, N. H., and Boston, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. William Lowe went to Haverhill, Mass., Tuesday, where they will spend a few days with their daughter, Mrs. Harris White, and family.

Mr. Alton Paine, who is employed in Herrick Bros. Co. garage, has moved his family from Albany into the rent over the Huntington store for the winter.

Among those who attended the Shrine Circus at Lewiston last week were: Messrs. H. P. Lyon, E. P. Blake, E. L. Brown, F. B. Merrill and C. W. Hall.

The reports from the Maine General Hospital, Portland, bring the good news that Mr. Charles Capen is gaining slowly and his friends hope for his recovery.

Another successful card party was held at the hall last Friday evening under the auspices of the Red Cross. There were eleven tables.

Miss Gene Saunders entertained the members of her Sunday School class Saturday afternoon from two to four. Games were played and dairy refreshments served. Those present were: Mrs. H. P. Lyon, Mrs. E. P. Blake, Mrs. E. L. Brown, Mrs. F. B. Merrill and C. W. Hall.

John Moore and L. D. Powers are cutting wood for A. T. Powers.

Clément Worcester came home from Hartford, Sunday P. M., where he has been a patient in McFarley's Hospital.

A. A. Lapham is yarding pine timber on the old Saunders farm for H. H. Smith & Co. E. D. Hanson is helping him.

Don't fail to see the "Old Maid's Convention," a laughable, unique entertainment put on by the Pythian Sisters at their fair Dec. 7. There will be a six o'clock supper, also a sale of fancy articles, home made candies, ice cream, preserves and pickles, also a mystery table. Everybody come.

The music exhibition given by the children of the grammar school last Tuesday evening in the William Bingham Gymnasium was well patronized, and the program as given in last week's issue was carried out. Each number on the program was well given and showed much work on the part of the teacher and pupils.

Not many deer have been reported killed this year, at least, by local hunters, but a large number have been seen on automobiles going through the town. One automobile, recently seen on our streets containing four men had eight deer tied onto the running boards and mudguards.

If you have not purchased your ticket for the Chautauque now is the time to do it. The program this year will be varied including vocal and instrumental music, readings and lectures. The price of the season ticket is only \$1.50. Get them at the Post Office. Tickets bought at the window do not help the guarantee.

Get yours now.

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## ANNUAL RED CROSS ROLL CALL

Throughout the country in large and small towns, as well as cities, the annual drive for membership in the National Red Cross is going on.

Individual solicitors will not canvass Bethel this year but subscriptions for membership will be received by Irving L. Carver, Treasurer, and Alice B. Jordan, Secretary.

The Red Cross is a national organization and its work is for suffering humanity—preventative by its training in First Aid Work; home hygiene, nutrition service; public health nursing; volunteer life saving service; besides its wonderful work in cases of great disaster like the so very recent earthquake in Japan which need hardly be called to public attention.

One never knows how soon one's own community might demand similar aid as that given so generously in the case of our neighboring town of Rumford following its fire disaster.

At the call of the N. E. Division the local branch of the Red Cross has made and filled 20 Xmas bags to send to service men in the Dominican Republic and made its quota of garments for the victims of the Japan disaster. Fifty per cent of all subscriptions remain with the local branch. Its officers have given immediate response to all calls from the office of the N. E. Division—an empty treasury would have proven a great hindrance to an immediate response to these calls. Therefore, your membership is earnestly solicited.

**GOULD'S ACADEMY**  
School closed Wednesday for the Thanksgiving recess.

The annual Donors' Day exercises will be held in the William Bingham Gymnasium on Thursday evening, Dec. 6th. All friends of the school are cordially invited.

The Girl Reserves of the Y. W. C. A. are working hard for the success of their Christmas sale to be held in the William Bingham Gymnasium on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 5th. The sale will begin at three o'clock.

**HANOVER**  
Rev. Gordon Wills of Rumford Center will conduct service at Hanover Hall next Sunday afternoon at two o'clock, Dec. 2. Special music will be furnished and as this is Rally Sunday it is to be hoped there will be a good attendance.

Mrs. Elita Smith entertained the Ladies' Aid at her home Wednesday. Dinner was served by the hostess and the afternoon was spent in sewing. There was a good number present.

A Sunday School social will be conducted at the hall Friday evening, Nov. 30. Everyone is invited to come. No admission.

Cards have been received announcing the safe arrival of the Misses Maxwell at St. Petersburg, Fla. They found things as represented, and most charming weather.

Several radios have been installed in town, one at the residence of W. Chase and another at Edson Hayford's.

Ellsworth McKernon had the misfortune to fall from the roof of his house and fracture his wrist. Dr. Twadell of Bethel attended him.

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## GOULD'S DEFEATS ALUMNI

Last Friday evening at the William Bingham Gymnasium the Gould's Academy basketball team defeated a team composed of former Gould's players by the score of 32 to 23. It was an interesting game from start to finish. The star of the game was Madison Berry who registered 5 floor goals and 2 fouls.

For the alumni Ralph Young was high man with 4 floor goals. At the end of the first quarter the Academy boys were in the lead by 18 to 3, but during the remainder of the game the alumni outplayed the school team. During the last quarter the alumni "came to" with renewed life and played rings around the school team. Judkins played a good game during this quarter, breaking up many of the plays.

The Academy has a fast team this year with two veterans in M. Berry and Goddard and a number of men to fight for the other positions.

The line-up of the alumni game:

GOULD'S	G	FG	PTS
Goddard, rf,	3	0	0
Mundt, lf,	2	0	0
Thurston, lf,	2	0	0
M. Berry, c,	5	2	12
E. Swan, c,	1	0	2
Sweeney, rg,	0	0	0
Keniston, lg,	2	0	4
Totals,	15	2	32

ALUMNI	G	FG	PTS
Bryant, rf,	1	1	3
R. Young, rf,	4	0	8
Becker, lf,	3	0	6
Imann, c,	2	0	4
Davis, rg,	1	0	2
Judkins, rg,	0	0	0
A. Young, lg,	0	0	0
Totals,	11	1	23

**PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF THE GOLDEN RULE**  
Sunday, Dec. 2, 1923

On this date all persons who are disposed to make a practical application of the Golden Rule are requested to provide for their Sunday dinner approximately the same menu that is approved and provided for at least 50,000 of the children in Near East Relief orphanages. The menu as adapted and proposed for American homes will be adequate in nutritive food value and palatable in form. Oscar, the world-famous chef of the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, Miss Bradley of the Farmer School of Cookery, and others are providing special recipes or forms in which to serve the orphanage menu in American homes.

The difference between the cost of the usual Sunday dinner and the simpler, less expensive orphanage menu is to be given as a contribution and thank-offering for the purchase of food for the orphans of the Near East.

**The Call of Childhood**  
1. Tens of thousands of children in the Near East are without father, mother, or country.

2. Their parents were killed or died of persecution, exposure and starvation in connection with the deportations of 1915 and subsequent years, including the Smyrna and Anatolia evacuations of 1922-23. Many of the parents sacrificed their lives in defense of the principle of religious liberty.

3. They have no responsible relatives to provide support. Wherever relatives can be found, the responsibility for the support of the child is thrown upon the relative.

4. Greece, Syria, and other countries have given them a safe haven, which is more than the richer countries of Europe and America are willing to do, but Greece and Syria cannot provide food and material support for these orphan refugees in addition to the enormous number of refugees of their own nationalities already dependent upon them.

They perish if we fail.

**The Call of Religion**  
Most citizens of civilized countries are adherents of religions that in some form proclaim the Golden Rule as a guide in life.

A great service will be rendered to pure religion without regard to form or creed if the adherents of these religions can be led to apply their Golden Rule to these homeless, countryless widows and orphans of Bible lands.

Whatsoever ye would that others should do unto you (or unto your children thus left destitute), do ye even so unto them.

**The Call of International Brotherhood**  
These children, in considerable measure, embody the future of the Near East. By the international application of the principle of the Golden Rule in dealing with these orphan children we may be able to avoid international

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## DO YOU WANT YOUR LEGION POST TO FAIL?

To the members of The American Legion, George A. Mundt Post, No. 51, Bethel, Maine:

Are you a member of the American Legion, attending the regular meetings of your Post? If you do not attend every meeting that it is possible for you to attend you are a slacker.

Our annual meeting for the election of officers for the ensuing year comes on December 4th. It is your duty as a member to attend this meeting, not as a duty as a member alone but as a citizen of these United States. The above sentence applies to every meeting for the year.

With a few exceptions the members of this Post have been unalloyed, by being absent from the meetings as prescribed by the Constitution and By-Laws.

If the business of the Post has not been to your liking, why not attend the meetings and see that it is improved upon? If it is not run as you think it should be run, attend the meetings. You are not attending members are at fault.

How can you expect the townspeople to back this Post in any of its undertakings if you fail to do your best to make a success of it? Don't expect the other fellow to do your part, because if you do, you will awake some day and find yourself dead.

Should this Post fail to keep its Charter you, unattended, uninterested, disloyal member are the one on whom the fault rests. Why not buck up and play the game.

Are you dissatisfied with any of the Post officers? If you are now is your chance to come and elect some officers who you think will do better by the Post. Come and don't be nervous about having something to say in the meetings, they are your meetings. The officers are only to look after the detail work, when you are dissatisfied say so.

The time has come when each member must do his part, and that part is something beside paying your annual dues. Do you want to see this Post of the American Legion fail? I do not.

Howard E. Tyler, Post Adjutant.

**GRANGE NEWS**  
**LONE MT. GRANGE**  
Lone Mt. Grange held an all day meeting in the hall, Saturday, Nov. 17. A baked bean and salad dinner was served at noon. The Lecturer's program was as follows:

Singing, W. W. Perkins  
Reading, L. R. Hall  
Chip Basket, Members of the Grange  
Music, Grange  
Question, "Will more corn grow on a crooked row than a straight one?"  
Opened by L. R. Hall, followed by Brothers Bailey, Akers, Bailey and Perkins

**PROGRAM FOR CHAUTAUQUE**  
**OPENING DAY**  
Afternoon  
Lecture—to be announced  
Concert—DoMille Quartet  
Junior Chautauque  
Night  
Concert—DoMille Quartet  
"Life Portrayals"  
William Sterling Hatfield  
**SECOND DAY**  
Afternoon  
Lecture—to be announced  
Entertainment—  
Batting/Mahler Entertainers  
Junior Chautauque  
Night  
Entertainment—  
Batting/Mahler Entertainers  
Lecture—Harry R. McKee  
"Your Community in Revolution."  
**CLOSING DAY**  
Afternoon  
Junior Chautauque Pageant—  
"Her Family on Display."  
Entertainment—Punch and Judy—  
Will H. Smith  
Night  
An "Oriental Pageant," by Julius Caesar Noyes  
(A Feature Entertainment)  
**PARENT-TEACHER MEETING**  
At the next meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association, Dec. 10, Miss Whitehead will present her course in Music Appreciation, giving illustrations of work done in the grades with the new records which she has selected for that purpose, ranging from Mother Goose Melodies for the Little Ones with Ballads—Folk Songs, etc., up to selections from Operas and Oratorios for the advanced grades.  
All the friends who enjoyed the work done at the Gymnasium will be interested in this meeting.











### SOUTH BETHEL

Herbert Walker of South Paris has been visiting his brother, Willie Walker, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mason, Mrs. Frank Brooks and Gerald Walker married to Louisa, Saturday, on the 28th.

Mr. and Mrs. Anna Clark have been visiting relatives at South Bethel. Mike Nalley and Gay Patterson of Bethel were in town Sunday.

William Stevens is visiting his sister Mrs. Fred Martin at South Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Bates Jones and daughter, Anna, were at Bethel one day last week.

Little Shirley and Everett Chase are visiting their grandparents, Mrs. Edgar Chase for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Blake are visiting relatives in Bethel and Concord for a few weeks.

Harriet Day of Bethel's Mills was in town one day last week buying poultry. Mrs. Mason and Archie Cole of Bethel were in town Sunday.

Harry Johnson of Bethel was in town one day last week with a fine lot of day goods.

Harriet Walker has been visiting relatives at South Paris for a few days. Emma Stone of Bethel's Mills was at Bethel shopping one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Mason of Bethel's Mills were in town Sunday.

### SUNDAY RIVER

Mrs. Alice Sperry of Orono has spent two weeks with her children in this place.

House Bailey is spending his vacation with his father at the farm.

Ray Bennett of Bethel River has moved his family into Will Sperry's room.

Mrs. J. W. Reynolds spent two days with her sister, Mrs. H. H. Holey, recently.

### SHIP PHONES IN DENMARK

The United States Ship Company, of Copenhagen, Denmark, plans to install wireless telephone equipment on all boats plying between Copenhagen and the American coast. Travelers will be able to receive direct communication, through the land telephone service, with their own homes or offices similar to the service planned for the R. I. boats.

### SOUTH WOODSTOCK

Alvin Hendrickson has been moving Harry Page's goods to Andover.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Russell of Norway and Kenneth Wright of Rochester, N. H., were guests at A. R. Hendrickson's, Saturday.

Dr. Staples of Norway operated on an abscess in Mrs. Ernest Bryant's throat, Sunday. Her sister, Mattie Wood, is caring for her.

Mrs. Robert Curvey, Jr., of Portland is visiting her mother, Mrs. Frank Andrews.

Mr. Edwin Thorlow, who has been working at A. R. Hendrickson's, is taking a vacation and is visiting relatives in South Lancaster, Mass.

Gayden Davis is working for Abner Hansen.

### MASON

Mr. Alvin B. Grover of Bethel, Maine, was the guest of his father, Chas. Grover, and family a few days this week.

Mr. Lawrence Grover and Mr. Harry Harding from Bethel, Mass., who have been stopping at Mr. Grover's camp here started for home, Sunday.

The teacher and pupils of the school gave an entertainment at the school house, Friday evening, which was well attended.

### NORTH NEWRY

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Blake and guests of Mrs. Bethel in Gratton.

Mr. L. P. Wright and son, Daniel, went to Bethel, Sunday, after Mrs. Hanson who will spend Thanksgiving with her parents.

Frank Bennett was at home over the week end.

Ray Bennett and family have gone to Sunday River where Mr. Bennett has employment.

M. A. Palmer was in Bethel, Monday, on business.

Louisa Baker is at work for R. P. Davis who has a new printing bay.

Earl and Everett Hanson of Huxford are in town for a few days.

Walter Brock was at home over Sunday.

A good crowd was in attendance at the Old Fashioned Dance at Newry Corners, Friday evening.

Don Parry called at G. H. Leonard's, Sunday.

Franklin and Lee Vail of Upton were

dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Bennett one day this week.

Mrs. Ella Brown is to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Kilgore.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Morse have moved into a camp on Wight's brook, where Mr. Morse is cutting birch for W. B. Wight & Sons.

Members of Bear River Grange do not forget Dec. 1st. Election of officers. Be sure and attend this meeting.

### GROVER HILL

Herman Mason bought some apples of M. P. Tyler, which he took to the Bethel, N. H., market.

Mrs. Clyde L. Whitman and two little boys have been having the prevailing cough.

Reed S. Tyler from East Bethel was calling on friends in this place, Monday. The scholars in this place are enjoying a week's recess.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hutchinson and son, Alvin, were in South Paris and Norway one day last week.

### NEWRY

Mrs. Addie Wakefield from North Bethel called at Walter Powers' last Sunday afternoon.

Dan McPherson who is at work for Brown Co. at Huxford was at home last Friday night to attend the Old Fashioned Dance at the Grange Hall.

Ed returned Saturday, his wife accompanying him.

Elmer Bailey is seen to go into the woods at work with his team.

### Stomach Distressed

The "L.F." Atwood's Medicine cures all stomach troubles. Indigestion, Constipation, Biliousness, It sweetens the stomach, aids digestion, cures the liver, promotes bowel action. Large bottles 50 cents and a dose. All dealers. "L.F." Manufacturing Co., Portland, Maine.

Take L.F.

### BETHEL AND VICINITY

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All roads lead to the William Bingham Gymnasium, Dec. 5.

Mrs. Bea Steel of Colebrook, N. H., has been the guest of Mrs. True Eames.

Miss Ernestine Philbrook is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Philbrook.

Mrs. Hattie Hubbard has gone to Boston, where she will visit relatives and friends.

A car wreck was seen in the woods back of Dr. Gehring's residence one day last week.

Miss Mabel Packard of Portland is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Packard.

Mrs. Ralph King of Bethel's Mills visited Mrs. Grace Swan and Mrs. D. C. Conroy, recently.

Christie Thurston entertained a few of her little friends, Monday P. M. in honor of her birthday.

Mrs. Henry H. Hastings and son, Henry, were in Portland last week, guests of Mrs. Charles Kenney.

Miss Hattie Foster has been the guest of Mr. Charles Eames and family and has returned to her home.

Miss Montgomery, leader of Junior Chautauque, arrived in town Tuesday and is staying at Maple Inn.

Mr. Charles Cross accompanied his sister, Mrs. Mary Staples, to her home in Dixfield the first of the week.

Mr. R. B. Greenleaf returned from Madison, Wednesday morning, where he was called to attend the funeral of an aunt.

Miss Esther Tyler and Miss Laura Tyler are spending the holiday vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Tyler.

Miss Vivian Wight arrived home Tuesday to spend the holiday recess with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. I. H. Wight.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Berry of Madison, Me., have been guests of Mrs. Berry's brother, Mr. R. B. Greenleaf, and family.

Mr. Rodney Bartlett, who is attending Bowdoin College, is the holiday guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Bartlett.

Mrs. Homer Smith and baby, who have been staying with her mother, Mrs. Charles Bean, have returned to their home on Mechanic street.

Mrs. Beale Hixon and her grandson, Laurence Bartlett, went to Auburn, Wednesday morning to spend Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hixon.

Mr. F. P. Lyon and daughter, Ethel, came, Miss Eleanor Carter and Mrs. Fred Tibbatts motored to Portland, Mrs. Tibbatts remaining for a few days stay.

Mr. Theodore Allen, who is assistant clerk at Bethel town, was called to Los Angeles, by the death of a brother, caused by the accidental damage of a gun.

A large number were in attendance at a community service at the William Bingham Gymnasium, Monday evening, when Mr. W. B. Mitchell of Portland, Maine, gave a very interesting and helpful talk.

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## "SHERLOCK BROWN"

IN FIVE REELS

A rapid-fire comedy-drama of a clerk who learned man-tracking by mail—and BERT LYTELL is the clerk.

## "IN THE DAYS OF DANIEL BOONE"

CHAPTER TWO

## ODEON HALL, WED., DEC. 5

ADMISSION: 15c and 25c

## REGINALD DENNY

## "The Abysmal Brute"

One of America's greatest authors, Jack London, traveler and student of life, is the author of this latest screen triumph. Of all his colorful, gripping stories this one is the most sensational—nothing like it ever in pictures before.

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Now is the right time to buy Winter Coats, Silk and Wool at greatly reduced prices.

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Fall and Winter Coats for Ladies and Misses

Here you will find many of the Coats that you have admired all the season at a liberal reduction in price. Come early, you are more sure to get the model and size you want. The coats offered in this sale are all new styles this season. You will find such materials as Kexello, Fabrics, Furclaire, Granada, Francine, Chin-chilla, Felare, Helvia and Overblends in shades of Brown, Kilt Fox, Navy and many mixtures.

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Prices Greatly Reduced

Knitted wool in Chippie and Vest Styles in tan, grey, orange and green, plaid and mixtures.

Sweaters for \$3.95 that were \$5.95.

Sweaters for \$4.95 that were \$6.95.

Knitted sweaters, dipper model with roll collar, frayed hem in tan and white, the price \$1.95, regular price \$2.95.

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### RUMFORD

Miss Alma Hanson and Mrs. Edith Mitchell are busily engaged in preparations for the opening of "The Hand-box," a novelty and gift shop to be located in the new Hanson block, Congress Street.

Much building is in progress on Oxford Avenue in the Waldo Street section, and also on the Swain road on the section known as Spruce Street.

The Christmas committee as recently appointed from the Baptist Sunday school comprises the following members: Miss Edith Flagg, Mrs. H. J. Carroll, Mrs. Irene Dix, Mrs. G. D. Clark, Rev. W. C. Curtis and John Chapman. This group will choose its chairman and draft additional members.

The funeral of Ulderice Belliveau was held last week from St. John's Church, Rev. Father Harvey officiating. Interment was made in the local Catholic cemetery.

Barbara Edgecomb, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Edgecomb of Hancock Street, is making a satisfactory gain from a recent operation for appendicitis.

Eugene Caron of Lewiston has been a recent guest of his cousin, Wilfred Caron, and family of Penobscot Street.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the local Post, American Legion, are planning for a Christmas sale to be held on December 1st. The sale will include fancy work, aprons and confections.

Repairs are being made on the interior of Cheney Opera House and Elks club. The walls and ceilings are being painted and other improvements made.

At the recent meeting of the Canton Rumford, L. O. O. F., the annual inspection was held and a fine supper enjoyed. During the evening, Captain A. H. Virgin presented to George Patten an Odd Fellows ring, bearing the emblem of the three links. Mr. Patten is a charter member of this order, which was organized 10 years ago. He is known as the "Daddy" of the Canton.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle Thibault have moved from the Anger block on Main Avenue into the rent in the Orino block on Spruce Street, made vacant by Henry G. Perry and family, who are living in the Mattison residence on Hancock Street.

Rev. Mr. Laite, who formerly served as pastor of the Methodist Church at Rumford Centre, and who for the past six months has been at the Hebron sanatorium for treatment, is now with his youngest daughter visiting at the home of his wife's parents, A. Z. Whyte, of South Rumford. Mrs. Laite who has been serving as nurse at Hebron, plans later to come to Rumford to engage in nursing in a local hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Oliver (Miss Lela Henry) whose marriage recently took place, and who at present are residing in Rumford, expect within a month to take up their residence in Portland.

Mrs. Louise Blaise and daughter, Mrs. Everett Josselyn, former residents of Rumford, have left for Fall River, Florida, where they will remain for the winter.

The nomination of officers of Canton Rumford for the ensuing year are: Captain, W. Ray Williams; Lieutenant, C. W. Chaffin; Ensign, Jarvis Snyder; Clerk, A. D. Virgin; Accountant, Ivory Gwin.

The death of Gilbert Provost, aged 72, a well known resident of Rumford, occurred last week at the McCarty Hospital, following injuries which he had received when a fall from a car resulted in a fractured skull. The deceased was a mason by trade and resided on Cumberland Avenue. A number of children survive him, several of whom reside in town. His wife has been dead for some years.

James Rice is erecting a block and frame Turner Centre Pharmacy on Pine Street Avenue in which he will have an office and well equipped office.

William Magge has taken over the H. H. Church on Exchange Street which had been formerly run by Joseph Magge. He started the church some about a month ago. Mr. Magge who with his family reside on Hancock Street is now engaged on the telephone exchange and has as chief in the Electric Exchange and H. H. Church.

Ed. A. E. Maloney is to depart for a business vacation which will be composed of members from the local Baptist, Methodist and Universalist churches. He is now being attended, and it is planned to present the same twice, possibly on Christmas Sunday and on New Year's Sunday.

The State aid for the public schools of Rumford will be decreased this year nearly \$3,000, according to figures recently issued from the State Department at Augusta. Rumford's share of the State School Fund this year is \$107,486.76. This is \$117,940 less than last year. Rumford also received last year \$1,872 from the Equalization Fund. Because our last year's tax rate was less than the average for the State, we will receive no part of this fund this year.

Robert Millett, former commanding officer of Company B, 103rd Infantry, Maine National Guard, is to be reappointed to the command, according to advice received from the office of the

Adjutant General at Augusta. It is understood that Captain Millett's papers from headquarters of the 103rd may be expected anytime, and providing he passes the necessary tests, he will assume command at once. The former members of the Company have all promised to stand by. If the Company is a success, it will remain in Rumford. If it is not, Rumford will lose the honor of being represented in the National Guard of the State.

Plans for the coming Red Cross drive are under way, and definite announcements of same will soon be made. Rumford indeed is able to appreciate the work of this great organization which supplied relief at the time of the recent big fire, by organizing and heading relief work which has been carried on so successfully in this community under their guidance.

Rumford has purchased a standard type 75 triple combination pumping chemical and hose car of the American La France Fire Engine Co., for the local fire department. The pump is of the rotary gear type, 750 gallons capacity, and was purchased for the sum of \$11,500. Delivery is to be made within 90 days.

The contract between the Rumford Falls Village Corporation and this Company stipulated that the No. 12 combination truck which has been in use in Rumford for many years is to be thoroughly overhauled by the American La France Company, pneumatic tires and other modern features added, and for this the Corporation will pay \$1000, within ten days after delivery of this apparatus. The cost of the pump, \$11,500, is to be paid by the Corporation within 90 days after delivery of this apparatus. This means that no special appropriation will have to be made this year, the matter to be carried for at the next Corporation meeting in March.

The Chisholm Ski Club is to stage immediately a great membership drive. For fourteen weeks of the past summer, a few energetic and faithful members of the club have struggled daily, and today there stands ready for the coming winter a good winter sports playground which includes a giant ski and toboggan slide, and a great ice rink. \$4000 worth of work has been done for less than a fourth of this amount. Now the Ski Club needs funds to complete a few minor details and prepare for the winter program that is planned.

They do not intend to beg, rather they ask memberships in their Club, and the money so obtained will defray the expenses of completion.

Mrs. E. J. Sheehan and Mrs. Harold Peor are assisting as clerks in the E. K. Day Co. store.

Holiday decorations are already noted in many of the local stores, and holiday goods are already on display.

Miss E. Vera Thannum, who recently submitted her resignation as District nurse to accept a position as superintendent of nurses in the Devereaux Mansion at Marblehead, Mass., has left for her home in Winthrop, where after a short visit she will leave for Marblehead to take up her duties early in the month of December.

The sympathy of many friends is being extended to Superintendent P. E. McCarthy of the local International paper mill, in the loss of his mother, Mrs. Thomas McCarthy of Lewiston, whose death occurred last week.

**WEST GREENWOOD**  
Phyllis Campbell spent the week end at "Valley Farming" in Albany.

Lillian Cross spent Monday with her parents.

Paul E. Fran has returned to his work in Rumford.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Farr of Kennebunk recently visited his daughter, Mrs. W. H. Cross, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark were in town one day last week.

Mrs. John and daughter, Alice, visited relatives in Rumford and one day last week.

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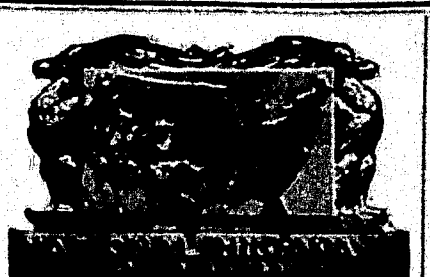
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### HUGE ROAD EXHIBIT TO BE HELD IN JANUARY

Chicago Exposition to be Biggest in History

The American Road Builders' Association will hold the greatest exposition and convention in Chicago, January 14 to 18, 1924, inclusive ever put before the public. More than a billion dollars is being spent yearly on roads. All the financial interests concerned in this great expenditure are interested in the great exposition, and in the Coliseum, at Chicago, will be every manufacturer of any prominence, making anything to do with roads; materials, machinery, or methods.

The Bureau of Public Roads, Department of Agriculture, will have a wonderful collection of models and machinery, illustrating their methods in building 7 per cent of the total road mileage of the Nation, which the United States Federal aid to States in road building, under the Federal aid road acts. The National Highway Association will have a very large and beautiful exhibit (20 spaces), and promises to show matters of intense interest to all road makers and road users.

All the State Highway Commissions will have representatives in attendance, and a very large number of county highway officials will doubtless be present. The gathering, like the exhibition, will thus be truly national in scope.

The largest attendance ever at such an affair is expected by the management, which has staged this great exposition in a city to which railroad travel from all points is quick and easy. Special railroad rates will be arranged for those desiring to attend.

### HIGHWAYS CREATE AND EXTEND PATRIOTISM

Need of National Roads Seen in New Memorial

The George Washington Masonic Memorial, being erected to Washington the Mason, by the Master Masons of the United States, on Shooter's Hill, just outside the city of Alexandria, in Virginia, and half way between the city which bears the First President's name and the tomb in which his remains lie at rest, is not upon a national road.

The home and tomb of Washington, at Mt. Vernon, is not reached from anywhere by a national road.

There must inevitably come a time when this nation will rise in revolt against a penurious policy while it bleeds to a patriotic order of devoted women the care and preservation of the price less relics of Washington, which are in his estate, and make of Mt. Vernon what it ought to be, a Government charge and care. The Masonic fraternity has already provided for a monumental resting place for the Masonic relics of George Washington. But will we always leave to Virginia the making, the repairing and the preservation of the roads which connect three buried homes, Temple and city?

Virginia has not, so far, been able to rise herself among these states prominently identified with the great road movement, although she has made vast strides in recent years. The road from Washington to the Temple, and from Alexandria to Mt. Vernon, is a good one, but it should be the work of the United States Government to see that it is as perfect as it is perfect. It is to see another among many arguments as to why the great road movement should be a national movement, and not a local one.

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### IS THIS YOUR EXPERIENCE?

Many Bethel People Are Afflicted With Annoying Kidney Ills.

Are you bothered with too frequent action of the kidneys? Are the secretions highly colored—do they contain sediment—burn and scald in voiding? There are all signs of kidney sickness and should not be neglected. Bethel people recommend Doan's Kidney Pills. If your back aches and your kidneys are weak you will find no better recommended remedy.

A. F. Copeland, farmer, and hay contractor, Chapman St., Bethel, says: "My kidneys have often given me trouble, especially when travelling on the road selling goods. I blame the change of water and exposure for my trouble. I was so bad with lumbago, I couldn't get straightened once I was seated and my kidneys didn't act regularly. At times the secretions passed too frequently, then again were retarded. I went to Bosserman's Drug Store and I got a box of Doan's Kidney Pills. I used Doan's until the ailments were corrected. I gladly recommend Doan's to anyone in need of a good kidney medicine."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Copeland had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

### TIMBER SHOULD BE REGARDED AS CROP GOVERNMENT SAYS

Whether timber is to be mined from our forests without thought of replacement, like coal from our hills, or whether it is to be considered as a crop to be harvested and grown like other farm crops is the main theme of a bulletin just published by the Forest Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, entitled "Timber: Mine or Crop?"

The bulletin discusses very thoroughly the problems now confronting the country as a result of the lack of a forestry policy and the resulting depletion of the Nation's forests by logging operations and fire.

Very Little Virgin Timber Left  
Nearly half the land area of the United States, some 825,000,000 acres, was originally forested, states the bulletin, but the forested area has now been reduced to 138,000,000 acres of virgin forest, 239,000,000 acres of comparatively inferior culled and second growth, and 81,000,000 acres of barren land, a total of slightly less than 470,000,000 acres.

"Largely through timber mining," the bulletin states, "the original stand of timber has been reduced from more than 5,200 billion board feet of virgin timber to 1,600 billion feet of virgin timber and 600 billion feet additional in culled and second growth stands."

"Seventy five per cent of the remaining virgin timber is west of the Great Plains, and more than 50 per cent of all our remaining sawtimber is in the three Pacific Coast States, while nearly half of the lumber cut is consumed in the region east of the Mississippi River and north of the Ohio and Potomac rivers. Lumber producing and consuming centers are so far apart that we pay \$200,000,000 annually in lumber freight."

In the bulletin is traced the shifting of the timber industry from the East to the Middle West and thence, and then to the West. The necessity for urgent reforestation and for the conservation of our remaining forests is emphasized, and the bulletin is being reprinted in four times as fast as it is being reprinted.

Reprints of the bulletin may be secured on application to the Forest Supervisor at Washington, D. C., or to the State Forester at the State Capital, or to the local Forester at the local Forester's Office.

### ANDOVER

Mrs. Alice Shaw from Portland was in Andover a few days this week.

Hope of school, from Monday of Monday was in town, Monday.

Mrs. Edward Baum, who has been on leaving treatment for an infected ankle at a Portland hospital for several weeks, has returned home somewhat improved.

Rev. C. W. Robinson and family have gone to Bangor, Me., where they will spend the winter with Mrs. Robinson's mother, who is an invalid.

Educational work was well observed in the schools. An evening session was held in the schoolhouse at East Andover, Friday, that was much enjoyed by all present.

The school committee held a meeting at the home of Mrs. Alice Thurston, Wednesday P. M.

The King's Daughters meet this Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Ella Deane.

C. A. Hand was at Bangor this week.

Mrs. Winthrop Akers has been quite ill the past week.

Mrs. Fernie Hatchler has been visiting her nephew, Charles Roberts, and wife.

Herbert Thomas is working in the steel mill.

**LOOKER'S MILLS**  
Mrs. Warren Churchill of Mechanic Falls was a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Donald Tobols, Friday.

Stanley Bartlett and Joseph Votawsky were in Portland, Friday.

Edna Goodwin of Norway is in town for a few days.

Mrs. Jennie King has moved to So. Paris.

Queen Davis and King Bartlett were in Norway, Wednesday evening to attend the chapter meeting.

Mrs. Hannah Littlehale has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Edward Stuart, for a few days.

Friends in town are pleased to read the announcement of Charles L. Bartlett of Norway to become a candidate for County Commissioner before the primaries next June.

Mr. Lewellyn Hall of Cornish, Me., has been a recent guest of his son, Clarence Hall, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Nevens have gone to New York for the winter.

The students from the various schools are spending Thanksgiving at their homes in town.

Monday evening, Dec. 3, a meeting of the townspeople will be held in the church to see about a physician for Andover this winter.

Charles Poor has been ill.

Wednesday, Nov. 21, Lincoln Dresser of Portland, but formerly of Andover, celebrated his 85th birthday. He received a shower of post cards from Long Mr. Grange of this town. Many nice gifts and money from friends. Mr. Dresser is well and hearty and bids fair to live many years. He is the last of a family of eight children. A sister, Mrs. Malvina Bell, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Y. A. Thurston, April 24 of this year, at the age of 84 years and 8 months.

Amiah Meisner is working for Sidney Abbott.

The Andover Public Library Association held a special meeting in the hall Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 20, and elected Mrs. Alice Thurston as treasurer to fill out the unexpired term of office of the late Young A. Thurston.

Andover was visited by a heavy rain Saturday and Sunday.

The schools will not be in session Thursday and Friday.

### EAST BETHEL

Miss Edna Bartlett is at home for the Thanksgiving vacation.

Misses Maud and Laura Cummings have returned to their home for the school vacation over Thanksgiving.

Mrs. F. B. Howe has returned home from Waltham, Mass. She was accompanied by Mr. W. C. Howe who will spend Thanksgiving with relatives here.

Mr. Clarence Whitten and Mrs. Carl Chaffin of Fairfield, Maine, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Newton.

Miss Evelyn Cole of Gould's Academy was over the week end guest of her sister, Mrs. Wm. S. Hastings.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Clark and sons, Hugh and Wendell, of Auburn were over week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Kimball. Mrs. Clark remained for a week's visit with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Coolidge and auto party were Sunday callers of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Coolidge and family.

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# THE AMERICAN LEGION

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## LEGION AN AID TO FARMERS

Employment Bureau Operated in South Dakota Supplying Men During Harvest Season.

An American Legion employment bureau, operated in South Dakota during the harvest season, is reported as having been one of the most effective checks in the spread of "I. W. W." in the North and West. Through the services of the Legion's bureau hundreds of men known to be of the radical type were sent to the farms of the Dakotas to obtain work, the radical type staying away from the Legion's employment agency.

The bureau was instituted by the Sidney H. South post of the Legion at Aberdeen, S. D. Service was rendered for a period of eight weeks, during which time the Legion placed 700 men of 1800 registration, without cost. In some instances these men were sent 200 miles from the agency to a farmer who had turned to the Legion to obtain reliable help in harvesting his crops.

But service did not stop with jobs alone. Many of the men arrived at the Legion with "broken" money and dirty. The Legion men provided 400 men with meals, gave lodging to 400 men, and arranged for a large number to receive free shower baths. Odd jobs were found for a large number to fill in until farm employment would be obtained.

Local police reported a slip from the American Legion employment bureau as sufficient evidence that the men were all right, but those who did not have the Legion cards were usually told to move on. The project was given endorsement of federal, state and municipal authorities.

## THOUSANDS IN BIG CONTEST

Many School Children Trying for American Legion's American Prize Essay Cash.

Four thousand American school children are participating in the American Legion's national essay contest on "Why America Should Preserve Its Nationality," according to a recent announcement of the Legion's national American prize essay contest. Prizes amounting to \$1,000, and medals for winning contestants, are at stake.

The contest is open to all boys and girls between the ages of twelve and sixteen years. Only one essay may be submitted by a contestant, and essays must be limited to 500 words each. Prizes will be awarded to the winner of each grade in each of the four divisions. The contest is being held in the month of November.

The contest will be held through the month of November. The three best essays in each grade will be forwarded to the office of the national American prize essay contest of the Legion, where they will be judged for national prizes.

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## LEGION PLANS TO AID POLES

Organization Will Endeavor to Have Nationality Requirements Amended in Their Favor.

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"Habitat Army," a contingent of American Poles, fought at the side of the United States during the war. Their service earned them the right to American citizenship, and in order to obtain citizenship they must pass through the same formalities as would an alien seeking naturalization.

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## WHY

### Atmosphere Changes Have Effect on Twinkling Stars

There are several reasons why stars twinkle. One is that these bodies are so extremely distant that not even the most powerful telescope can show them to have a visible disk, like the planets. Their light, consequently, is a mere point, so minute as to be susceptible of interference by the various and unequal densities of the atmosphere. Hence, atmospheric changes have a marked effect upon the twinkling. For example, it is found to increase as the temperature falls and the barometer rises. An experience of nearly forty years showed M. Montigny that with the quantity of moisture in the air the twinkling of the stars increased so markedly as to serve for a useful prognostic of rain. Cyclonic conditions generally are found to promote it, whilst it is extremely sensitive to magnetic disturbances. Humboldt on one occasion to the tropics found that the stars shone with a cold and planetary light; their scintillation was scarcely sensible at the horizon. This, it is apparent, was due to the great homogeneity of the atmosphere; whereas the extremely fine pencil of light from the stars was not interfered with by unequally dense strata.

## USE GOLD LEAF AS MEDICINE

Indian Natives Make Peculiar Uses of Precious Metal—Refuse to Trade It.

Curious and interesting facts regarding India's passion for gold, and the strange uses to which the natives put the precious metal, have been gathered. Instead of utilizing her wealth to promote trade, India buries hers, or most of it. At present, it seems, much of the gold dug from the earth in South Africa is, by a fresh digging operation, deposited again beneath the soil in the south of Asia.

India has other queer uses for gold. The natives of some parts of India take gold leaves as medicine, while others, possibly inclined, gild the domes of their temples with it. Thousands of dollars' worth of gold go into the making of windows and other trimmings in the palaces of the princes of the country.

## Why We Nod and Yawn

There are a number of odd superstitions with regard to yawning. Most people remember having been corrected at some time or other for not placing a hand over the mouth to cover up a yawn.

This arose from a quaint belief of years ago when people were more superstitious than they are today—that there was a danger of the devil jumping into the open mouth when in the act of yawning.

Among many races it is still believed that he who yawns much is possessed of an evil spirit. When a Hindu yawns, he snaps his thumbs and repeats the name of one of his deities. To neglect this means misfortune.

When a Moslem yawns, he puts the back of his left hand over the open mouth and says "I seek refuge in Allah from Satan."

To yawn in the midst of prayers is considered a bad omen. It is better, according to ancient superstition, to begin the prayer again, from the beginning.

## Why a Sign is Used

Originally both "L" and "H" meant the same thing, "one pound." From the Latin word, "libra." The old system of money had what we should call a "silver standard," the standard being one pound's weight of silver, which was cut up into coins. Twenty "shillings" or two hundred and forty "pence" went to the pound's weight of silver.

As the gold standard came in, these values were altered, but the old term of "libra" for the pound was kept. Then some distinction had to be made in the sign for weight and value, and so in the former case it, the first and third letters, were taken for the construction, while in the latter the initial L with a stroke through it was used.

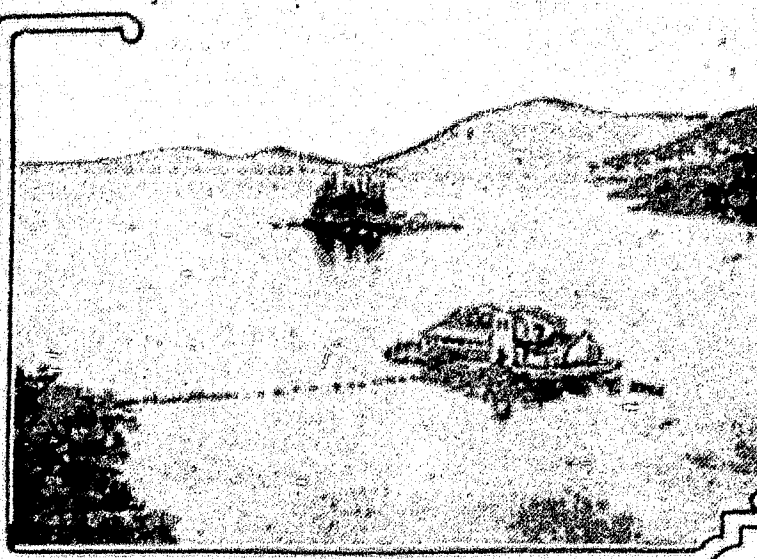
## Why the Word "Clear" is Spanish

The word clear is Spanish, and is derived from cigar, the Spanish name for grasshopper. When the Spaniards first introduced tobacco into Spain from the island of Cuba, they cultivated the plant in their gardens, which in Spanish are called *claras*. Here grew his tobacco in his clearing, where was offered a smoke to a friend, he would say: "He do not cigar." "He do not cigar?" "This cigar is from my garden." The grasshopper frequented was very common in Spain and cleared meant the place where the cigars grew.

## Why Does Water Spring Break?

The spontaneous breaking of water springs is believed to occur chiefly in the common mackerel. From the regular reports of two boats for several years it is found that the breakages are most numerous during the season of frequent thunderstorms. Further examination indicates that it is moisture instead of heat that plays the chief part. It is suggested that the springs may be weakened by running water, and in all seasons, sealed up in equal distance in a few remaining dry air, it springs back, all in the hot of moist air. The breaking is broken was greatly reduced by the application of oil.

# Key to the Adriatic



The Ship of Ulysses in the Harbor of Corfu.

(Prepared by the National Geographic Society, Washington, D. C.)

The recent occupation of the island of Corfu by Italy was on the face of it the taking by force of Greek territory by an alien nation; but the island has been ruled about and batted back and forth so continually through the centuries that half a dozen nations, including Italy, might lay claim to it on the plea of former ownership.

Corfu is one of the parts of the lock that secures the Adriatic sea at its narrow neck from the Ionian sea and the open waters of the Mediterranean. It lies like a watch-tower in the Ionian sea before the narrowing entrance of the Strait of Otranto. To the north of it a rugged finger of Albanian mountain-land reaches out into the strait, and, bending back, forms the splendid harbor of Avlona, one of the golden loaves of Austrian and Italian ambitions. To the northwest of Corfu, the long Italian heel cuts out into the waters of the Ionian sea. Together, these three elements dominate the Adriatic's outlet.

Corfu is shaped somewhat like a sickle or a rough crescent, the points or horns of which are toward the Greek mainland. The northern point lacks only two miles of meeting the mainland, but the southern point is some ten miles offshore. The bulge of water which Corfu and the mainland almost make into a lake forms a wonderful land-locked roadstead which has played its part in naval affairs for two millenniums.

The town and harbor of Corfu are on the east side of the island on the shore of this roadstead across which some twelve or fifteen miles away rises the rough shore of Epirus. In the harbor is the little fortress of the island, which has often been heavily fortified by its various owners.

Home to Its Beauties. Bathed in Mediterranean sunshine, with a rather dry climate for a considerable period of the year, the island of Corfu has always been considered a pleasure spot; and it failed to lose this reputation even when the sitting up of a number of arms of the sea and the formation of stagnant lakes brought malaria to some of the lowlands.

Home describes the island as a sort of paradise in the dim days of Greek beginnings. He makes it out an idyllic land of beautiful people and beautiful scenery with an abundance of figs and grapes and other fruits.

The island first emerges in history as the site of Corcyra, a city founded only a few years from the present town of Corfu by colonists from Corinth. The date of Corcyra's birth is set at 724 B. C.—twenty-six centuries ago. The colony grew rapidly in wealth, in seafaring power, and into a confident spirit of independence. Corcyra's fleet, protected in its wonderful roadstead, grew strong, and in 654 B. C. fought with its mother-city, Corinth, the first recorded Greek naval battle. Corinth won; but before long Corcyra was again independent. When a second dispute arose with Corinth, Corcyra allied itself with Athens, which was on the way to Syracuse there was held in the roadstead of Corcyra a review of what was probably the greatest concentration of naval strength up to that time. Again, in 478 B. C. the same roadstead was the gathering place for another great naval battle, the second battle of Salamis. Again, the fleet, which sailed from there to its battle of Salamis, to which they crashed the flag and formidable naval power of Persia.

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Corfu's most important middle period began in 1581, when it placed itself voluntarily under Venetian protection. In 1401 Venice assumed complete control and for 400 years held the island. It was during this period that the island took its modern name. It was a veritable stronghold against the Turk when Ottoman fleets were on all of mainland Greece and practically all her islands. Time after time the Turks tried to seize Corfu, but the Venetians always managed to drive them back.

It took the great political cataclysm that Napoleon brought about to shake Venice's hold from Corfu. When Bonaparte landed Venice to Austria in 1797 he kept Corfu for France. It was occupied by the French for only two years, however. Then a combined force of Russians and Turks captured the island, and combining it with the six other Ionian islands, set up the Federation of the Seven Isles under Turkish sovereignty. The short period from 1797 to 1805 was the only one during which the Turks held even nominal control over this island that had so long defied them and which they so long had coveted.

In 1807 the French again came into possession of Corfu, but they were ousted at the "European clearing house" of 1815. Then Corfu entered another erratic chapter to its checked career and became with the other Ionian islands a protectorate of Great Britain. In 1861 Corfu once more found herself a part of Greece when Great Britain ceded the Ionian Isles to that kingdom.

Corfu does not show the marks of its many masters as plainly as might be expected. Only the scantiest relics of ancient Corcyra and the Greek classic age are found, and there is hardly a trace of Roman works. A few buildings show British influence, a few military works the hand of France. Probably the deepest impress was made by Venice. Not only in the town of Corfu, but throughout the island as well, are numerous monasteries and other buildings showing an unmistakable Venetian cast.

Population is Mixed. The people show more plainly the effects of the many cross-currents of authority that have flowed over the island. In Corfu city, for example, a considerable fraction of the population is made up of Jews; something like a third are of mixed Greek and Venetian blood; and the rest are a mixture of all the strains of the many peoples shores of the Mediterranean—Greek, Italian, Turk, Albanian, Maltese, Dalmatian and many others.

The town of Corfu, like many other communities that have survived from the Middle Ages, has in its lower part a labyrinth of narrow streets, many of them too steep and rough and crooked to permit the use of wheeled vehicles. The hand of Italy appears again in the many arcades, and the dark shows its influence in the dark recesses and crowded bazaars. On a higher level the city is built on a more open plan with better and more slightly buildings.

The town is picturesque if somewhat dirty. But the real charm of Corfu is in the open and higher country. Possibly good roads skirt the sea cliffs and penetrate the hills from both of which there are entrancing views of sea and sky and mountains, olive and cypress-topped hills and cultivated lowlands. On one of the hills is the Acropolis, the palace built for the Venetian governor of the island and purchased for a winter home by the former German emperor in 1907.

The wonderful olive groves of Corfu are a sight to behold. In the places in the town of Corfu where the olive trees grow to such a size and age as to be 1500 years old. The Venetians, during their control of Corfu, paid a bounty for each acre of olive planted. The thirty thousand acres of these days collected the bounty with a gift, and as a result large areas of the island's uplands are huge, unbroken olive groves.

The growing and shipment of the olive constitutes Corfu's chief industry. Hundreds of thousands of gallons being shipped annually. The all-important olive vintage begins with a great festival each September.

Just as Corfu had been an important naval base in Greek, Roman and Venetian days, it played a similar role in the sea fighting of the World War.

## EMPLOYER SIZED UP HIS MAN

Incident Which Occurred on Road Revealed Character of Prospective Employee.

A successful Maine business man was sitting on his porch one day talking with a visitor. An automobile in which a party of young friends rode, passed the house and then swung into the side of the highway. The young man who was driving got out and looked at the tire on the front wheel. It was flat. He walked to the rear of the car, looked at the spare tire and then said something to one of the other young men who had gotten out. The other made a reply and both got into the car. It was turned around and driven down the street. The business man watched the operation but said nothing.

Half an hour later the party came back along the road and proceeded out of sight.

"I suppose you noticed that?" said the business man to his guest.

"I don't know as I understand," replied the other.

"That car which just passed had a flat tire the first time they came by here. They turned around and went back and now they have passed again."

"I remember that car now, but did not notice that it was the same," was the reply.

"It was," said the business man. "I had a particular reason for noticing it, as the young man driving it has been seeking a place with me. I had about made up my mind to give him the chance, but I wouldn't take him on after watching this incident."

His friend expressed surprise and the business man went on to explain. He called attention to the type of car the party was using and said that the work of changing the tire would not have required more than twenty minutes while it ought to be done in considerably less time. The car should have all the necessary equipment for making the change. If it didn't, the young man showed carelessness in not having his tools in place when he started on the trip. "It is true," said the business man, "that he might have gotten a bit of dirt on his hands and trousers, but the one could have been washed and the other brushed. By making the change himself, he would not have lost the time necessary to go back to a garage to have it done and would have saved that expense, but he wouldn't take the chance of the little dirt. It is unfortunate for him that this took place in front of my house for it cost him the place with our firm; I don't want that sort of youngster working for us."

Mrs. Malaprop's Husband. Mr. Brown was calling on an old friend.

"I declare," he remarked to the friend's wife, "it quite cures me of home sickness to drop in here and see a little of your home life—or—er—not that your home life is anything but the what I mean to say is that it makes me all the fonder of my own home—or rather, that, on the home-paternal principle, a hair of the dog that bit you—which isn't of course, what I mean. But when a man is lonely he can enjoy the society of almost anybody."

"Sir," said the lady, icily, "I mean," returned Mr. Brown, as he mopped the perspiration from his face, "that, be it ever so humble—no, yours is not that—but there's no place like one's own—but, I mean—well, I must be going, good day!"—Detroit Free Press.

Animals Easy Prey to Hunters. The advisability of breeding big game animals in captivity for the purpose of restocking covers is questionable, due to the fact that big game species become so tame when propagated artificially that they fall easy prey to both the hunter and predaceous animals when liberated.

Twelve mountain sheep were recently presented to the United States bureau of biological survey by the Canadian national parks service, to be liberated on the Montana national bison range.

The sheep were brought to the range from Rocky Mountain park, Banff, Alberta, without accident. They arrived in splendid condition and their future will be watched with a great deal of interest by big game enthusiasts.—Kathanga.

Drawing the Line. An actress who had retired from the stage and bought a little house in the country, decided to start a chicken farm.

Accordingly, acting on the principle that all big businesses have small beginnings, she bought a hen and a setting of thirteen eggs.

As she had no knowledge of poultry at all she wrote in a poultry journal asking how long the eggs would take to hatch out. The paper replied: "Three weeks for chickens and four weeks for ducks."

Some weeks later she again wrote in the paper:

"Many thanks for your advice. However, at the end of three weeks there were no chickens hatched out, and as I did not want any ducks, I took the hen off"—Poultry Journal.

At This Distance. Today we spent an hour picking the weeds about our grapevines, after which we were scratching chickens from black berries.

And, we reflected, how foolish, at this season, to worry about scratching snakes on the ley sidewalk!—From the Michigan Times-Dispatch.

## POOR PIANIST

Mrs. K. L. writes that she had the piano tuner at her home for several hours recently and after he had gone her laundry woman, who had been working in the basement just below, said to her: "You know that man in the parlor?"

"Yes, Annie."

"Well, I want to tell you one thing: I no like to hear him. He rotten player."—Boston Evening Transcript.

Patient Has Also a Suggestion. Mr. Littlerest—Doctor, what did you tell me was your special treatment for sleeplessness.

Doctor—I strike at the cause or the origin of the trouble.

Mr. Littlerest—You don't say so? Well, you'll find the baby in the other room. You don't spank him too hard!—London Tit-Bits.

## IN BOSTON TOWN

Western Uncle—I suppose you go to bed with the chickens, Waldo?

Waldo—I presume, Uncle, you use the term "bed" in a purely metaphorical sense; of course, I go to bed early—chickens go to roost.

Spoke From Experience. "A burnt child dreads the fire," read the teacher. "Now who can give me a sentence different in wording but meaning the same thing?"

There was silence for a while; then a little fellow piped up: "Please, teacher, a washed child dreads the water."

## Couldn't Count Klasses.

Counsel—How many times did he kiss you?

Fair plaintiff—I was so confused that I don't remember.

Counsel—What! With the thing going on right under your nose!

Wanted a Playmate. Only child—Oh, mother, how I wish I could be born again.

Mother—What on earth makes you wish that, dear?

Only child—Oh then I should be twins and have someone to play with.

May Happen. "Can we ever have thought transference?"

"Radio may bring it about."

"En?"

"If the girls can arrange their hair in suitable wave lengths."

The Tool. Hub—I spend all my money on you, No man can do more than that.

Putting Wife—If you really loved me you'd be willing to run into debt for me.

Two Too Many. Western Paper—Proceeding the service, which will be said by Rev. H. K. Pendleton, a bridal solo, "I love but Three," will be sung by Mrs. C. H. Dorman.

No Unwelcome Visits. First Confirmed Bachelor—Why did Newsworld rent a fifth floor apartment in a walk-up building?

Second Ditty—His mother-in-law can't climb stairs.

Two Evils. "Borrowing is bad business," remarked Brown.

"But it's not nearly so bad as lending," sighed Black. As he looked over the L. O. U. card as custodian of.

OF COURSE. "Three weeks for chickens and four weeks for ducks."

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# The BLIND MAN'S EYES

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## SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Gabriel Warden, a blind man, is admitted without his informing his wife of his condition. He is the only one of his kind in his town. He is a man of great strength and courage, and is known to all as a man of great strength and courage.

CHAPTER II.—Bob Connor, a young man, is a man of great strength and courage, and is known to all as a man of great strength and courage. He is a man of great strength and courage, and is known to all as a man of great strength and courage.

CHAPTER III.—The two make acquaintance. The train is at the station. The train is at the station. The train is at the station.

CHAPTER IV.—Eaton receives a letter from Lawrence. He is a man of great strength and courage, and is known to all as a man of great strength and courage. He is a man of great strength and courage, and is known to all as a man of great strength and courage.

CHAPTER V.—Passing through the town, Eaton is a man of great strength and courage, and is known to all as a man of great strength and courage. He is a man of great strength and courage, and is known to all as a man of great strength and courage.







